Election of the Poomangalam Panchayat.

269. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) when was the last election of Poomangalam Panchayat;

(2) was there any complaint regarding the election of any member;

(3) if so, what was the nature of the complaint;

(4) whether some of the voters wrote in the ballot paper 'ാാീ്' instead of 'കുറുാീ്';

(5) if so, were these votes also considered valid;

(6) whether the Superintendent of Panchayats wrote to the Tahsildar to send the ballot papers for verification;

(7) if so, what was the reply sent by the Tahsildar;

(8) how was the complaint settled?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—(1) 28th Kumbham 1104.

(2) Yes.

(3) The complaint was that some of the invalid votes were treated as valid.

(4) Yes.

(5) Yes.

(6) Yes.

(7) The Tahsildar requested the Superintendent to supply him with certain information about the Panchayat election rules.

(8) The complaint was recorded.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Did the Superintendent of Panchayats receive any reply to his letter? Was he supplied with the papers for verification?

President.— From the way in which the question is answered, I think the particular papers have not been sent. Without that information he could not send the papers.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Without those papers the complaint was disposed of?

President.—It was only recorded.

Construction of a well in Punittura Village.

270. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state why was not the well in Tammanatt, Punittura village, constructed in 1104, though Rs.250 had been budgetted and sanctioned for the same?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—The proposals from the Panchayat were not received in time and, therefore, the work could not be taken up.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—May I repeat the supplementary questions when the Member for Agriculture is present?

President.—This question is answered here.

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